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The group A **streptococcal C5a peptidase**, a **vaccine** to obstruct access to tonsils, a reservoir for recurrent infection

**Cleary, P. P.**; Costalonga, M.; Park, H.-S.

CONFERENCE: Microbial pathogenesis & host response-Meeting

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16928425 Document Delivery Available: 000185215600003 References: 35

TITLE: Immune response to group A **streptococcal C5a peptidase**

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in children: Implications for **vaccine** development  
AUTHOR(S): Shet A (REPRINT); Kaplan EL; Johnson DR; **Cleary PP**  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Minnesota, World Hlth Org Collaborating Ctr  
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ABSTRACT: The group A **streptococcal C5a peptidase (SCPA)**  
is a major surface virulence protein that facilitates the establishment of  
local infection by group A streptococci (GAS). We measured the human immune  
response to **SCPA**, using a standardized indirect enzyme-linked  
immunosorbent assay. Paired acute and convalescent serum samples from  
children with GAS-associated pharyngitis were assayed, and a strong immune  
response to **SCPA** was demonstrated that was independent of the  
infecting M type and the age of the patient. Western blot analysis of  
bacterial extracts revealed that all tested M types expressed **SCPA**.  
The immune response to **SCPA** correlated with the anti-streptolysin O  
and anti-DNase B responses. These data confirm the immunogenicity of  
**SCPA** in humans. Previous knowledge of SPCA's role in virulence, its  
highly conserved nature, and the results of mouse protection studies make  
**SCPA** an ideal **vaccine** candidate for the prevention of GAS  
disease.

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14916425 Document Delivery Available: 000178675100058 References: 38  
TITLE: **Immunization** with C5a peptidase or peptidase-type III  
polysaccharide conjugate **vaccines** enhances clearance of group B  
streptococci from lungs of infected mice  
AUTHOR(S): Cheng Q; Debol S; Lam H; Eby R; Edwards L; Matsuka Y; Olmsted SB  
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ABSTRACT: Group B streptococci (GBS) are among the most common causes of

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life-threatening neonatal infections. **Vaccine** development since the late 1970s has focused on the capsular polysaccharides, but a safe, effective product is still not available. Our quest for a **vaccine** turned to the **streptococcal C5a peptidase** (SCPB). This surface protein is antigenically conserved across most if not all serotypes. A murine model was used to assess the impact of SCPB on clearance of GBS from the lungs of intranasally infected animals. Mutational inactivation of SCPB resulted in more-rapid clearance of streptococci from the lung.

**Immunization** with recombinant SCPB alone or SCPB conjugated to type III capsular polysaccharide produced serotype-independent protection, which was evidenced by more-rapid clearance of the serotype VI strain from the lungs. **Immunization** of mice with tetanus toxoid-type III polysaccharide conjugate did not produce protection, confirming that protection induced by SCPB conjugates was independent of type III polysaccharide antigen. Histological evaluation of lungs from infected mice revealed that pathology in animals **immunized** with SCPB or SCPB conjugates was significantly less than that in animals **immunized** with a tetanus toxoid-polysaccharide conjugate. These experiments suggest that inclusion of C5a peptidase in a **vaccine** will both add another level to and broaden the spectrum of the protection of a polysaccharide **vaccine**.

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14000216 Document Delivery Available: 000175761400077 References: 1  
TITLE: The group B streptococcal C5a peptidase is both a specific protease and an invasin (vol 70, pg 2408, 2002)  
AUTHOR(S): Cheng Q (REPRINT); Stafslie D; Purushothaman SS;  
**Cleary P**  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Minnesota, Dept Microbiol, /Minneapolis//MN/55455 (REPRINT); Univ Minnesota, Dept Microbiol, /Minneapolis//MN/55455  
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12548620 References: 40  
TITLE: Antibody against surface-bound C5a peptidase is opsonic and initiates macrophage killing of group B streptococci  
AUTHOR(S): Cheng Q; Carlson B; Pillai S; Eby R; Edwards L; Olmsted SB;  
**Cleary P (REPRINT)**  
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CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ Minnesota, Dept Microbiol, Box 196 UMHC/Minneapolis//MN/55455 (REPRINT); Univ Minnesota, Dept Microbiol, /Minneapolis//MN/55455; Wyeth Lederle Vaccine, /Rochester//NY/

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**ABSTRACT:** The capsular polysaccharides of group B streptococci (GBS) are a primary focus of **vaccine** development, Immunogenicity and long-lasting protection are best achieved by conjugating polysaccharides to a T-cell-dependent protein antigen. **Streptococcal C5a peptidase** (SCPB) is a conserved surface protein that is expressed by all streptococcal serotypes tested to date, and it is a possible carrier protein that could itself induce a protective immune response, Clearance of GBS from lungs, mucosal surfaces, or blood probably depends on the opsonophagocytic response of tissue-specific macrophages and polymorphonuclear leukocytes (PMNs), In this study, we examined the potential of antibody directed against SCPB from a serotype II. strain to enhance the capacity of mouse bone marrow macrophages (from primary cultures) and human PMNs in whole blood to kill GBS in vitro, Our experiments demonstrated that Streptococcus serotypes Ia, Ib, II, III, and V, preopsonized with anti-SCPB antibody, were killed more rapidly by cultured macrophages and PMNs in whole blood than were nonopsonized GBS. The increased rate of killing was accompanied by an increased macro phage oxidative burst. Furthermore, opsonization was serotype transparent. **Immunization** with SCPB conjugated to capsular polysaccharide type III produced polysaccharide-specific antibodies. It is interesting that this antiserum promoted serotype-independent killing of streptococci. These data support the use of SCPB in a GBS polysaccharide conjugate **vaccine**. SCPB not only enhanced the immunogenicity of polysaccharide components of the **vaccine**, but it might also induce additional serotype-independent protective antibodies.

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11629135 References: 31

**TITLE:** Characterization of the streptococcal C5a peptidase using a C5a-green fluorescent protein fusion protein substrate

**AUTHOR(S):** Stafslie DK; Cleary PP (REPRINT)

**AUTHOR(S) E-MAIL:** Cleary@lenti.med.umn.edu

**CORPORATE SOURCE:** Univ Minnesota, Dept Microbiol, Box 196 FUMC, 420 Delaware St SE/Minneapolis//MN/55455 (REPRINT); Univ Minnesota, Dept Microbiol, /Minneapolis//MN/55455

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**ABSTRACT:** A glutathione-S-transferase (GST)-C5a-green fluorescent protein

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(GFP) fusion protein was designed for use as a substrate for the streptococcal C5a peptidase (SCPA). The substrate was immobilized on a glutathione-Sepharose affinity matrix and used to measure wild-type SCPA activity in the range of 0.8 to 800 nM. The results of the assay demonstrated that SCPA is highly heat stable and has optimal activity on the synthetic substrate at or above pH 8.0. SCPA activity was unaffected by 0.1 to 10 mM Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, and Mn<sup>2+</sup> but was inhibited by the same concentrations of Zn<sup>2+</sup>. The assay shows high sensitivity to ionic strength; NaCl inhibits SCPA cleavage of GST-C5a-GFP in a dose-dependent manner. Based on previously published computer homology modeling, four substitutions were introduced into the putative active site of SCPA: Asp(130)-Ala, His(193)-Ala, Asn(295)-Ala, and Ser(512)-Ala. All four mutant proteins had over 1,000-fold less proteolytic activity on C5a in vitro, as determined both by the GFP assay described here and by a polymorphonuclear cell adherence assay. In addition, recombinant SCPA1 and SCPA49, from two distinct lineages of *Streptococcus pyogenes* (group A streptococci), and recombinant SCPB, from *Streptococcus agalactiae* (group B streptococci), were compared in the GFP assay. The three enzymes had similar activities, all cleaving approximately 6 mol of C5a mmol of SCP-1 liter<sup>-1</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>.

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09953252 References: 31

TITLE: Impact of M49, mrp, enn, and C5a peptidase proteins on colonization of the mouse oral mucosa by *Streptococcus pyogenes*

AUTHOR(S): Ji YD; Schnitzler N; DeMaster E; Cleary P (REPRINT)

CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV MINNESOTA, DEPT MICROBIOL, BOX 196

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ABSTRACT: Resistance to phagocytosis is a hallmark of virulent *Streptococcus pyogenes* (group A **streptococcus**). Surface bound C5a **peptidase** reduces recruitment of phagocytes to the site of infection, and hyaluronic acid capsules and/or the M protein limit the uptake of streptococci. In this study the relative impact of M and M-like proteins and the C5a peptidase on the virulence of a serotype M49 strain was assessed. The capacities of isogenic strains with an insertion mutation in emm49; with a deletion mutation in scpA49 (C5a peptidase gene); and, with a deletion that removes all three M-like genes, mrp49, emm49, and enn49, to colonize mice and resist phagocytosis were compared. Experiments confirmed results obtained in an earlier study, which showed that the M49 protein was not required for in vitro resistance to phagocytosis, and also showed that the M protein was not required for colonization of mice. Failure to produce all three M-like proteins, M49, Mrp, and Enn49, significantly reduced the

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ability of these streptococci to resist phagocytosis in vitro but did not significantly alter the persistence of streptococci on the oral mucosa, In vitro experiments indicate that M+ streptococci are phagocytized by polymorphonuclear leukocytes that have been activated with phorbol-12-myristate 13-acetate or recombinant human C5a, This observation may explain the finding that expression of M49 protein is not essential for short-term colonization of the mouse oral mucosa.

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08492686 References: 26

TITLE: Intranasal **immunization** with C5a peptidase prevents nasopharyngeal colonization of mice by the group A Streptococcus  
AUTHOR(S): Ji YD; Carlson B; Kondagunta A; **Cleary PP (REPRINT)**  
CORPORATE SOURCE: UNIV MINNESOTA, DEPT MICROBIOL, BOX 196  
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ABSTRACT: Early inflammatory events are initiated by phased production of C5a and interleukin-8 in tissue. Most serotypes of group A streptococci express a surface-bound peptidase (**SCPA**) which specifically cleaves mouse and human C5a chemotaxins. This study investigates the impact of **SCPA** on colonization of the nasopharyngeal mucosa of mice and evaluates its potential to induce protective immunity. Two strains, serotypes M6 and M49, which contain insertion and deletion mutations in the **SCPA** gene (**scpA**) and represent the two major subdivisions of group A streptococci, were characterized and compared in a mouse intranasal infection model. In this model, **SCPA** mutants were more rapidly cleared from the nasopharynxes of inoculated mice compared with wild-type strains. A 2,908-bp fragment of **scpA49** gene, obtained by PCR, was ligated to the expression vector pGEX-4T-1 and expressed in Escherichia coli. The affinity-purified Delta SCPA49 protein proved to be highly immunogenic in mice and rabbits. Although the purified Delta SCPA49 immunogen lacked enzymatic activity, it induced high titers of rabbit antibodies which were able to neutralize peptidase activity associated with M1, M6, M12, and M49 streptococci in vitro. This result confirmed that antipeptidase antibodies lack serotype specificity. Intranasal **immunization** of mice with the deleted form of the SCPA49 protein stimulated significant levels of specific salivary secretory immunoglobulin A (IgA) and serum IgG antibodies and reduced the potential of wild-type M1, M2, M6, M11, and M49 streptococci to colonize. These experiments suggest a new approach to **vaccine** development for prevention of streptococcal pharyngitis.

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**STREPTOCOCCAL C5a PEPTIDASE VACCINE**

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**VACCIN ANTI-STREPTOCOCCIQUE A BASE DE PEPTIDASE C5a**

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**Vaccine** for streptococcal infection comprises immunogenic amount of  
variant **streptococcal C5a-peptidase** - production of  
**vaccine** useful for treating disease

AUTHOR: **Cleary P P; Stafslie D K**

CORPORATE SOURCE: Minneapolis, MN, USA.

PATENT ASSIGNEE: Univ.Minnesota 2000

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ABSTRACT: A new **vaccine** (I) is claimed. (I) comprises a  
**Streptococcal C5 a-peptidase** (SCP1S12A), which is a variant  
of wild-type SCP, in an amount to **immunize** a susceptible mammal  
against beta-hemolytic Streptococcus group A, B, C or G. (I) further  
comprises effective amount of immunological adjuvant and variant  
SCP1S12A linked to a peptide or polysaccharide. Also claimed are: an  
isolated and purified peptide containing an enzymatically in active  
SCP; and an isolated and purified polynucleotide containing a  
nucleotide sequence encoding an enzymatically in active SCP. (I) is  
useful for protecting a susceptible mammal, e.g. human, cattle or dog,

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against beta-hemolytic Streptococcus, e.g. group A, B, C or G Streptococcus. The application of SCP for **vaccination** reduces the incidence of strep throat and impetigo and also eliminate sequelae such as rheumatic fever, acute glomerulonephritis, sepsis toxic shock and necrotizing fasciitis. (94pp)

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Site-directed mutagenesis of the streptococcal C5a peptidase - enzyme production via vector plasmid pGEX-4T-1-mediated scpA gene transfer and expression in Escherichia coli and characterization of activity  
(conference abstract)

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ABSTRACT: The streptococcal C5a peptidase (SCP) is a protein expressed on the surface of group-A streptococci that specifically inactivates C5a, a chemoattractant for neutrophils. It is hypothesized that SCP is a member of the family of subtilisin-like serine proteases based on primary protein sequence analysis. The aim of this study was to verify previously reported computer predictions of the location of the active site amino acids. The scpA gene from serotype M1 strain 90-226 and serotype M49 strain CS101 was amplified using polymerase chain reaction and cloned into the high expression vector plasmid pGEX-4T-1. This fragment coded for the entire mature protein without the membrane anchor domain. The recombinant enzyme was found to have enzymatic activity similar to that of SCP recovered from cell wall extracts of Streptococcus pyogenes. A mutation was introduced into the acpA49 gene, via the megaprimer method of site-directed mutagenesis, which changed the presumed active site serine of the protease to an alanine. The mutation did not effect the protein ability to bind to polyclonal antibodies. The effect of further mutations on enzymatic activity in under investigation. (0 ref)

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L2 1739 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON "CLEARY P"?/AU  
L3 24 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON "STAFSLIEN D"?/AU  
L4 22 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L2 AND L3  
L5 156 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON (L2 OR L3) AND ((STREPTOCOCC? OR GAS) (3A) PEPTIDASE OR SCPA(S) STREPTOCOCC?)  
L6 31 SEA ABB=ON PLU=ON L5 AND (IMMUNIS? OR IMMUNIZ? OR VACCIN?)  
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L8 ANSWER 1 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 1  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2003:839352 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 140:26685  
TITLE: Immune response to group A **streptococcal** C5a **peptidase** in children: implications for **vaccine** development  
AUTHOR(S): Shet, Anita; Kaplan, Edward L.; Johnson, Dwight R.; **Cleary, P. Patrick**  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Pediatrics, World Health Organization Collaborating Center for Reference and Research on Streptococci, University of Minnesota Medical School, Minneapolis, 55455, USA  
SOURCE: Journal of Infectious Diseases (2003), 188(6), 809-817  
CODEN: JIDIAQ; ISSN: 0022-1899  
PUBLISHER: University of Chicago Press  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB The group A **streptococcal** C5a **peptidase** (SCPA) is a major surface virulence protein that facilitates the establishment of local infection by group A **streptococci** (GAS). We measured the human immune response to SCPA, using a standardized indirect ELISA. Paired acute and convalescent serum samples from children with GAS-associated pharyngitis were assayed, and a strong immune response to SCPA was demonstrated that was independent of the infecting M type and the age of the patient. Western blot anal. of bacterial exts. revealed that all tested M types expressed SCPA. The immune response to SCPA correlated with the anti-streptolysin O and anti-DNase B responses. These data confirm the immunogenicity of SCPA in humans. Previous knowledge of SPCA's role in virulence, its highly conserved nature, and the results of mouse protection studies make SCPA an ideal **vaccine** candidate for the prevention of GAS disease.

REFERENCE COUNT: 35 THERE ARE 35 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L8 ANSWER 2 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 2  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:180974 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 136:246372  
TITLE: **Vaccines** comprising **Streptococcal** C5a **peptidase** or

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mutants for preventing  $\beta$ -hemolytic  
Streptococcus colonization or infection

INVENTOR(S): **Cleary, Paul Patrick; Stafslie, Deborah K.**

PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Régents of the University of Minnesota, USA

SOURCE: U.S., 46 pp., Cont.-in-part of U.S. 5,846,547.  
CODEN: USXXAM

DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent

LANGUAGE: English

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PATENT INFORMATION:

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US 6355255	B1	20020312	US 1998-206898	19981207
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CA 2243755	AA	19970724	CA 1997-2243755	19970121
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BR 9915988	A	20010904	BR 1999-15988	19991203
EP 1137785	A1	20011004	EP 1999-966013	19991203
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JP 2002531584	T2	20020924	JP 2000-586920	19991203
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.: US 1996-589756 A2 19960122				
US 1998-206898 A2 19981207				
WO 1999-US28826 W 19991203				

AB Novel **vaccines** for use against  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococcus colonization or infection are disclosed. The **vaccines** contain an immunogenic amount of a variant of **streptococcal C5a peptidase (SCP)**. Also disclosed is a method of protecting a susceptible mammal against  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococcus colonization or infection by administering such a **vaccine**. Enzymically inactive SCP, and polynucleotides encoding these SCP proteins are further disclosed.

REFERENCE COUNT: 73 THERE ARE 73 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L8 ANSWER 3 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 3

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:815759 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:336455

TITLE: **Immunization** with C5a peptidase or peptidase-type III polysaccharide conjugate **vaccines** enhances clearance of group B streptococci from lungs of infected mice

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AUTHOR(S): Cheng, Qi; Debol, Steven; Lam, Hong; Eby, Ron;  
Edwards, Lorri; Matsuka, Yury; Olmsted, Stephen  
B.; **Cleary, P. Patrick**  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology, University of  
Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 55455, USA  
SOURCE: Infection and Immunity (2002), 70(11), 6409-6415  
CODEN: INFIBR; ISSN: 0019-9567  
PUBLISHER: American Society for Microbiology  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB Group B streptococci (GBS) are among the most common causes of life-threatening neonatal infections. **Vaccine** development since the late 1970s has focused on the capsular polysaccharides, but a safe, effective product is still not available. The authors' quest for a **vaccine** turned to the **streptococcal C5a peptidase (SCPB)**. This surface protein is antigenically conserved across most if not all serotypes. A murine model was used to assess the impact of SCPB on clearance of GBS from the lungs of intranasally infected animals. Mutational inactivation of SCPB resulted in more-rapid clearance of streptococci from the lung. **Immunization** with recombinant SCPB alone or SCPB conjugated to type III capsular polysaccharide produced serotype-independent protection, which was evidenced by more-rapid clearance of the serotype VI strain from the lungs. **Immunization** of mice with tetanus toxoid-type III polysaccharide conjugate did not produce protection, confirming that protection induced by SCPB conjugates was independent of type III polysaccharide antigen. Histol. evaluation of lungs from infected mice revealed that pathol. in animals **immunized** with SCPB or SCPB conjugates was significantly less than that in animals **immunized** with a tetanus toxoid-polysaccharide conjugate. These expts. suggest that inclusion of C5a peptidase in a **vaccine** will both add another level to and broaden the spectrum of the protection of a polysaccharide **vaccine**.

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L8 ANSWER 4 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 4

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:415220 HCAPLUS

DOCUMENT NUMBER: 139:162926

TITLE: The group B streptococcal C5a peptidase is both a specific protease and an invasin. [Erratum to document cited in CA137:45085]

AUTHOR(S): Cheng, Qi; **Stafslie, Deborah**;  
Purushothaman, Sai Sudha; **Cleary, Patrick**

CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology, University of  
Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 55455, USA

SOURCE: Infection and Immunity (2002), 70(6), 3309  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal

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AB The article was originally intended to be published together with that of Christiane Beckmann, Joshua D. Wagonner, Theresa O. Harris,

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Glen. S. Tamura, and Craig E. Rubens, "Identification of Novel Adhesins from Group B Streptococci by Use of Phage Display Reveals that C5a Peptidase Mediates Fibronectin Binding", *ibid.* 70 (5), 2869-2876, 2002.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002191252 EMBASE  
TITLE: Erratum: The group B streptococcal C5a peptidase is both a specific protease and an invasin (*Infection and Immunity* (2002) 70:5 (2408-2413)).  
AUTHOR: Cheng Q.; **Staflslien D.**; Purushothaman S.S.; **Cleary P.**  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Q. Cheng, Department of Microbiology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN 55455, United States  
SOURCE: *Infection and Immunity*, (2002) 70/6 (3309).  
ISSN: 0019-9567 CODEN: INFIBR  
COUNTRY: United States  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal; Errata  
FILE SEGMENT: 004 Microbiology  
LANGUAGE: English

L8 ANSWER 6 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 5

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:316387 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 137:45085  
TITLE: The group B streptococcal C5a peptidase is both a specific protease and an invasin  
AUTHOR(S): Cheng, Qi; **Staflslien, Deborah**; Purushothaman, Sai Sudha; **Cleary, Patrick**  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 55455, USA  
SOURCE: *Infection and Immunity* (2002), 70(5), 2408-2413  
CODEN: INFIBR; ISSN: 0019-9567  
PUBLISHER: American Society for Microbiology  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB The group B streptococcus (GBS) is a major cause of pneumonia, sepsis, and meningitis in neonates and a serious cause of mortality or morbidity in immunocompromised adults. Although these streptococci adhere efficiently and invade a variety of tissue-specific epithelial and endothelial cells, adhesins and invasins are still unknown. All serotypes of GBS studied to date express C5a peptidase (SCPB) on their surface. This investigation addresses the possibility that this relatively large surface protein has addnl. activities. Rabbit anti-SCPB serum inhibited invasion of lung epithelial A549 cells by the serotype Ia strain O90R, suggesting that SCPB is an invasin. This was confirmed by inserting an in-frame 25-amino-acid deletion into the scpB gene. Invasion of HEp2 and A549 human cell lines was significantly reduced by the mutation. Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assays were used to demonstrate that purified SCPB protein binds directly to HEp2 and A549 cells and also binds the extracellular matrix protein fibronectin. Binding was dose dependent and saturable. These results suggested that SCPB is one of several potential invasins essential for GBS colonization of damaged epithelium.

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L8 ANSWER 7 OF 16 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2004 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2002:465514 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200200465514  
TITLE: The immune response to group A **streptococcal**  
(**GAS**) C5a **peptidase** (**SCPA**  
) in children.  
AUTHOR(S): Shet, Anita [Reprint author]; Kaplan, Edward L.  
[Reprint author]; Johnson, Dwight R. [Reprint  
author]; **Cleary, Patrick P.** [Reprint  
author]  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Pediatrics, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN,  
USA  
SOURCE: Pediatric Research, (April, 2002) Vol. 51, No. 4 Part  
2, pp. 282A. print.  
Meeting Info.: Annual Meeting of the Pediatric  
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CODEN: PEREBL. ISSN: 0031-3998.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Conference; (Meeting)  
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LANGUAGE: English  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 4 Sep 2002  
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L8 ANSWER 8 OF 16 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2004 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on  
STN  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:459106 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100459106  
TITLE: **Streptococcal C5a peptidase**  
**vaccine.**  
AUTHOR(S): **Cleary, Paul Patrick** [Inventor, Reprint  
author]  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Shoreview, MN, USA  
ASSIGNEE: Regents of the University of Minnesota  
PATENT INFORMATION: US 6270775 August 07, 2001  
SOURCE: Official Gazette of the United States Patent and  
Trademark Office Patents, (Aug. 7, 2001) Vol. 1249,  
No. 1. e-file.  
CODEN: OGUPE7. ISSN: 0098-1133.  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
LANGUAGE: English  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 26 Sep 2001  
Last Updated on STN: 22 Feb 2002

AB Novel **vaccines** for use against beta-hemolytic  
**Streptococcus** colonization or infection are disclosed. The  
**vaccines** contain an immunogenic amount of  
**streptococcal C5a peptidase**, or a fragment or  
mutant thereof. Also disclosed is a method of protecting a  
susceptible mammal against beta-hemolytic **Streptococcus** colonization  
or infection by administering such a **vaccine**.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:240605 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 135:18381  
TITLE: Antibody against surface-bound C5a peptidase is  
opsonic and initiates macrophage killing of  
group B streptococci  
AUTHOR(S): Cheng, Qi; Carlson, Brian; Pillai, Sub; Eby,  
Ron; Edwards, Lorri; Olmsted, Stephen B.;  
Cleary, Patrick  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology, University of  
Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 55455, USA  
SOURCE: Infection and Immunity (2001), 69(4), 2302-2308  
CODEN: INFIBR; ISSN: 0019-9567  
PUBLISHER: American Society for Microbiology  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB The capsular polysaccharides of group B streptococci (GBS) are a primary focus of **vaccine** development. Immunogenicity and long-lasting protection are best achieved by conjugating polysaccharides to a T-cell-dependent protein antigen. **Streptococcal C5a peptidase** (SCPB) is a conserved surface protein that is expressed by all streptococcal serotypes tested to date, and it is a possible carrier protein that could itself induce a protective immune response. Clearance of GBS from lungs, mucosal surfaces, or blood probably depends on the opsonophagocytic response of tissue-specific macrophages and polymorphonuclear leukocytes (PMNs). In this study, we examined the potential of antibody directed against SCPB from a serotype II strain to enhance the capacity of mouse bone marrow macrophages (from primary cultures) and human PMNs in whole blood to kill GBS in vitro. Our expts. demonstrated that Streptococcus serotypes Ia, Ib, II, III, and V, preopsonized with anti-SCPB antibody, were killed more rapidly by cultured macrophages and PMNs in whole blood than were nonopsonized GBS. The increased rate of killing was accompanied by an increased macrophage oxidative burst. Furthermore, opsonization was serotype transparent. **Immunization** with SCPB conjugated to capsular polysaccharide type III produced polysaccharide-specific antibodies. It is interesting that this antiserum promoted serotype-independent killing of streptococci. These data support the use of SCPB in a GBS polysaccharide conjugate **vaccine**. SCPB not only enhanced the immunogenicity of polysaccharide components of the **vaccine**, but it might also induce addnl. serotype-independent protective antibodies.

REFERENCE COUNT: 40 THERE ARE 40 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE  
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L8 ANSWER 10 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 7

ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:402011 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:42170  
TITLE: Streptococcal C5a peptidase  
vaccine  
INVENTOR(S): Cleary, Paul Patrick; Stafslie, Deborah K.  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Regents of the University of Minnesota, USA  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 94 pp.

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US 2002142009	A1	20021003	US 2001-870122	20010530
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1998-206898	A2 19981207
			US 1996-589756	A2 19960122
			WO 1999-US28826	W 19991203

AB Novel **vaccines** for use against  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococcus colonization or infection are disclosed. The **vaccines** contain an immunogenic amount of a variant of **streptococcal C5a peptidase** (SCP). Also disclosed is a method of protecting a susceptible mammal against  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococcus colonization or infection by administering such a **vaccine**. SCP delays recruitment of phagocytes and clearance of streptococci from subdermal sites of infections, and is required for colonization of the mouse nasopharynx. Enzymically inactive SCP muteins produced by site-directed mutagenesis, and polynucleotides encoding these SCP proteins are further disclosed.

REFERENCE COUNT: 4 THERE ARE 4 CITED REFERENCES AVAILABLE FOR THIS RECORD. ALL CITATIONS AVAILABLE IN THE RE FORMAT

L8 ANSWER 11 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 8  
ACCESSION NUMBER: 2000:348691 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 133:85434  
TITLE: Characterization of the Streptococcal C5a peptidase using a C5a-green fluorescent protein fusion protein substrate  
AUTHOR(S): Stafslie, D. K.; Cleary, P.  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Department of Microbiology, University of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, 55455, USA  
SOURCE: Journal of Bacteriology (2000), 182(11), 3254-3258

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CODEN: JOBAAY; ISSN: 0021-9193  
PUBLISHER: American Society for Microbiology  
DOCUMENT TYPE: Journal  
LANGUAGE: English

AB A glutathione-S-transferase (GST)-C5a-green fluorescent protein (GFP) fusion protein was designed for use as a substrate for the streptococcal C5a peptidase (SCPA). The substrate was immobilized on a glutathione-Sepharose affinity matrix and used to measure wild-type SCPA activity in the range of 0.8 to 800 nM. The results of the assay demonstrated that SCPA is highly heat stable and has optimal activity on the synthetic substrate at or above pH 8.0. SCPA activity was unaffected by 0.1 to 10 mM Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, and Mn<sup>2+</sup> but was inhibited by the same concns. of Zn<sup>2+</sup>. The assay shows high sensitivity to ionic strength; NaCl inhibits SCPA cleavage of GST-C5a-GFP in a dose-dependent manner. Based on previously published computer homol. modeling, four substitutions were introduced into the putative active site of SCPA: Asp130-Ala, His193-Ala, Asn295-Ala, and Ser512-Ala. All four mutant proteins had over 1,000-fold less proteolytic activity on C5a in vitro, as determined both by the GFP assay described here and by a polymorphonuclear cell adherence assay. In addition, recombinant SCPA1 and SCPA49, from two distinct lineages of *Streptococcus pyogenes* (group A streptococci), and recombinant SCPB, from *Streptococcus agalactiae* (group B streptococci), were compared in the GFP assay. The three enzymes had similar activities, all cleaving approx. 6 mol of C5a mmol of SCP-1 liter<sup>-1</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>.

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ACCESSION NUMBER: 2001:1320 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV200100001320  
TITLE: The group B streptococcal C5a peptidase function both  
as a specific protease and adhesin.  
AUTHOR(S): Cheng, Q. [Reprint author]; Stafslie, D.  
[Reprint author]; Olmsted, S.; Carlson, B. [Reprint  
author]; Cleary, P. P. [Reprint author]  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ. of Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA  
SOURCE: Abstracts of the Interscience Conference on  
Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy, (2000) Vol.  
40, pp. 44. print.  
Meeting Info.: 40th Interscience Conference on  
Antimicrobial Agents and Chemotherapy. Toronto,  
Ontario, Canada. September 17-20, 2000. Interscience  
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ACCESSION NUMBER: 1999:71532 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199900071532  
TITLE: **Streptococcal C5a peptidase vaccine.**  
AUTHOR(S): **Cleary, P. P.** [Inventor]  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Shoreview, Minn., USA  
ASSIGNEE: REGENTS OF THE UNIVERSITY OF MINNESOTA  
PATENT INFORMATION: US 5846547 Dec. 8, 1998  
SOURCE: Official Gazette of the United States Patent and Trademark Office Patents, (Dec. 8, 1998) Vol. 1217, No. 2, pp. 1507. print.  
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DOCUMENT TYPE: Patent  
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L8 ANSWER 14 OF 16 BIOSIS COPYRIGHT 2004 BIOLOGICAL ABSTRACTS INC. on STN

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1998:415595 BIOSIS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: PREV199800415595  
TITLE: Site directed mutagenesis of the streptococcal C5a peptidase.  
AUTHOR(S): **Stafslie, Deborah K.; Cleary, P. Patrick**  
CORPORATE SOURCE: Univ. Minnesota, Minneapolis, MN, USA  
SOURCE: Abstracts of the General Meeting of the American Society for Microbiology, (1998) Vol. 98, pp. 59. print.  
Meeting Info.: 98th General Meeting of the American Society for Microbiology. Atlanta, Georgia, USA. May 17-21, 1998. American Society for Microbiology. ISSN: 1060-2011.  
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Conference; (Meeting Poster)  
LANGUAGE: English  
ENTRY DATE: Entered STN: 2 Oct 1998  
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L8 ANSWER 15 OF 16 HCAPLUS COPYRIGHT 2004 ACS on STN DUPLICATE 9

ACCESSION NUMBER: 1997:499117 HCAPLUS  
DOCUMENT NUMBER: 127:160564  
TITLE: Complement C5a peptidase **vaccines** against  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococcus  
INVENTOR(S): **Cleary, Paul P.**  
PATENT ASSIGNEE(S): Regents of the University of Minnesota, USA;  
Cleary, Paul P.  
SOURCE: PCT Int. Appl., 76 pp.  
CODEN: PIXXD2  
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AU 9715828	A1	19970811	AU 1997-15828	19970121
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EP 877624	A1	19981118	EP 1997-902076	19970121
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JP 2000513709	T2	20001017	JP 1997-526301	19970121
US 6270775	B1	20010807	US 1998-206800	19981207
PRIORITY APPLN. INFO.:			US 1996-589756	A 19960122
			WO 1997-US1056	W 19970121

AB **Vaccines**, and **vaccination** methods, are disclosed for use against  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococcus colonization or infection in susceptible mammals. The **vaccines** contain an immunogenic amount of **streptococcal C5a peptidase**, or a fragment or mutant thereof. Also disclosed is a method of protecting a susceptible mammal against  $\beta$ -hemolytic Streptococcus colonization or infection by administering such a **vaccine**.

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 TITLE: Intranasal **immunization** with C5a peptidase prevents nasopharyngeal colonization of mice by the group A Streptococcus  
 AUTHOR(S): Ji, Yinduo; Carlson, Brian; Kondagunta, Aparna; **Cleary, P. Patrick**  
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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 719QN

TITLE: Immune response to group A **streptococcal**  
C5a **peptidase** in children: Implications  
for **vaccine** development

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AB The group A **streptococcal** C5a **peptidase** (**SCPA**) is a major surface virulence protein that facilitates the establishment of local infection by group A **streptococci** (GAS). We measured the human immune response to **SCPA**, using a standardized indirect enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay. Paired acute and convalescent serum samples from children with GAS-associated pharyngitis were assayed, and a strong immune response to **SCPA** was demonstrated that was independent of the infecting M type and the age of the patient. Western blot analysis of bacterial extracts revealed that all tested M types expressed **SCPA**. The immune response to **SCPA** correlated with the anti-streptolysin O and anti-DNase B responses. These data confirm the immunogenicity of **SCPA** in humans. Previous knowledge of **SCPA**'s role in virulence, its highly conserved nature, and the results of mouse protection studies make **SCPA** an ideal **vaccine** candidate for the prevention of GAS disease.

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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 605JQ  
 TITLE: **Immunization** with C5a peptidase or peptidase-type III polysaccharide conjugate **vaccines** enhances clearance of group B streptococci from lungs of infected mice  
 AUTHOR: Cheng Q; Debol S; Lam H; Eby R; Edwards L; Matsuka Y; Olmsted S B; **Cleary P P (Reprint)**  
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AB Group B streptococci (GBS) are among the most common causes of life-threatening neonatal infections. **Vaccine** development since the late 1970s has focused on the capsular polysaccharides, but a safe, effective product is still not available. Our quest for a **vaccine** turned to the **streptococcal C5a peptidase** (SCPB). This surface protein is antigenically conserved across most if not all serotypes. A murine model was used to assess the impact of SCPB on clearance of GBS from the lungs of intranasally infected animals. Mutational inactivation of SCPB resulted in more-rapid clearance of streptococci from the lung. **Immunization** with recombinant SCPB alone or SCPB conjugated to type III capsular polysaccharide produced serotype-independent protection, which was evidenced by more-rapid clearance of the serotype VI strain from the lungs. **Immunization** of mice with tetanus toxoid-type III polysaccharide conjugate did not produce protection, confirming that protection induced by SCPB conjugates was independent of type III polysaccharide antigen. Histological evaluation of lungs from infected mice revealed that pathology in animals **immunized** with SCPB or SCPB conjugates was significantly less than that in animals **immunized** with a tetanus toxoid-polysaccharide conjugate. These experiments suggest that inclusion of C5a peptidase in a **vaccine** will both add another level to and broaden the spectrum of the protection of a polysaccharide **vaccine**.

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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 554XA

TITLE: The group B streptococcal C5a peptidase is both a specific protease and an invasin (vol 70, pg 2408, 2002)

AUTHOR: Cheng Q (Reprint); **Stafslien D;**

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pp. 3309-3309.  
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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 543NH  
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AB The group B streptococcus (GBS) is a major cause of pneumonia, sepsis, and meningitis in neonates and a serious cause of mortality or morbidity in immunocompromised adults. Although these streptococci adhere efficiently and invade a variety of tissue-specific epithelial and endothelial cells, adhesins and invasins are still unknown. All serotypes of GBS studied to date express C5a peptidase (SCPB) on their surface. This investigation addresses the possibility that this relatively large surface protein has additional activities. Rabbit anti-SCPB serum inhibited invasion of lung epithelial A549 cells by the serotype Ia strain 090R, suggesting that SCPB is an invasin. This was confirmed by inserting an in-frame 25-amino-acid deletion into the scpB gene. Invasion of HEp2 and A549 human cell lines was significantly reduced by the mutation. Enzyme-linked immunosorbent assays were used to demonstrate that purified SCPB protein binds directly to HEp2 and A549 cells and also binds the extracellular matrix protein fibronectin. Binding was dose dependent and saturable. These results suggested that SCPB is one of several potential invasins essential for GBS colonization of damaged epithelium.

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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 413MT  
TITLE: Antibody against surface-bound C5a peptidase is  
opsonic and initiates macrophage killing of group B

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AB The capsular polysaccharides of group B streptococci (GBS) are a primary focus of **vaccine** development, Immunogenicity and long-lasting protection are best achieved by conjugating polysaccharides to a T-cell-dependent protein antigen. **Streptococcal C5a peptidase** (SCPB) is a conserved surface protein that is expressed by all streptococcal serotypes tested to date, and it is a possible carrier protein that could itself induce a protective immune response. Clearance of GBS from lungs, mucosal surfaces, or blood probably depends on the opsonophagocytic response of tissue-specific macrophages and polymorphonuclear leukocytes (PMNs). In this study, we examined the potential of antibody directed against SCPB from a serotype II strain to enhance the capacity of mouse bone marrow macrophages (from primary cultures) and human PMNs in whole blood to kill GBS in vitro. Our experiments demonstrated that Streptococcus serotypes Ia, Ib, II, III, and V, preopsonized with anti-SCPB antibody, were killed more rapidly by cultured macrophages and PMNs in whole blood than were nonopsonized GBS. The increased rate of killing was accompanied by an increased macrophage oxidative burst. Furthermore, opsonization was serotype transparent. **Immunization** with SCPB conjugated to capsular polysaccharide type III produced polysaccharide-specific antibodies. It is interesting that this antiserum promoted serotype-independent killing of streptococci. These data support the use of SCPB in a GBS polysaccharide conjugate **vaccine**. SCPB not only enhanced the immunogenicity of polysaccharide components of the **vaccine**, but it might also induce additional serotype-independent protective antibodies.

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TITLE: Characterization of the streptococcal C5a peptidase  
using a C5a-green fluorescent protein fusion protein  
substrate  
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AB A glutathione-S-transferase (GST)-C5a-green fluorescent protein (GFP) fusion protein was designed for use as a substrate for the streptococcal C5a peptidase (SCPA). The substrate was immobilized on a glutathione-Sepharose affinity matrix and used to measure wild-type SCPA activity in the range of 0.8 to 800 nM. The results of the assay demonstrated that SCPA is highly heat stable and has optimal activity on the synthetic substrate at or above pH 8.0. SCPA activity was unaffected by 0.1 to 10 mM Ca<sup>2+</sup>, Mg<sup>2+</sup>, and Mn<sup>2+</sup> but was inhibited by the same concentrations of Zn<sup>2+</sup>. The assay shows high sensitivity to ionic strength; NaCl inhibits SCPA cleavage of GST-C5a-GFP in a dose-dependent manner. Based on previously published computer homology modeling, four substitutions were introduced into the putative active site of SCPA: Asp(130)-Ala, His(193)-Ala, Asn(295)-Ala, and Ser(512)-Ala. All four mutant proteins had over 1,000-fold less proteolytic activity on C5a in vitro, as determined both by the GFP assay described here and by a polymorphonuclear cell adherence assay. In addition, recombinant SCPA1 and SCPA49, from two distinct lineages of *Streptococcus pyogenes* (group A streptococci), and recombinant SCPB, from *Streptococcus agalactiae* (group B streptococci), were compared in the GFP assay. The three enzymes had similar activities, all cleaving approximately 6 mol of C5a mmol of SCP-1 liter<sup>-1</sup> min<sup>-1</sup>.

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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: 132HT

TITLE: Impact of M49, mrp, enn, and C5a peptidase proteins on colonization of the mouse oral mucosa by *Streptococcus pyogenes*

AUTHOR: Ji Y D; Schnitzler N; DeMaster E; Cleary P  
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AB Resistance to phagocytosis is a hallmark of virulent *Streptococcus pyogenes* (group A **streptococcus**), Surface bound C5a **peptidase** reduces recruitment of phagocytes to the site of infection, and hyaluronic acid capsules and/or the M protein limit the uptake of streptococci, In this study the relative impact of M and M-like proteins and the C5a peptidase on the virulence of a serotype M49 strain was assessed. The capacities of isogenic strains with an insertion mutation in emm49; with a deletion mutation in scpA49 (C5a peptidase gene); and, with a deletion that removes all three M-like genes, mrp49, emm49, and enn49, to colonize mice and resist phagocytosis were compared. Experiments confirmed results obtained in an earlier study, which showed that the M49 protein was not required for in vitro resistance to phagocytosis, and also showed that the M protein was not required for colonization of mice. Failure to produce all three M-like proteins, M49, Mrp, and Enn49, significantly reduced the ability of these streptococci to resist phagocytosis in vitro but did not significantly alter the persistence of streptococci on the oral mucosa, In vitro experiments indicate that M+ streptococci are phagocytized by polymorphonuclear leukocytes that have been activated with phorbol-12-myristate 13-acetate or recombinant human C5a, This observation may explain the finding that expression of M49 protein is not essential for short-term colonization of the mouse oral mucosa.

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THE GENUINE ARTICLE: XB562

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